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Police investigating Monday night incident

Elba teen dies from apparent gunshot

Elba Police are investigating a Monday night, Sept. 26, shooting that led to the death of an 18-year-old teen.

Elba Police Chief Troy Staley said his department received a call Monday night around 10:19 p.m. that a vehicle had run into a structure [garage of a home] on Sunset Boulevard in Elba. Upon arrival on scene, he said officers discovered the driver of the vehicle was suffering from an apparent gunshot wound.

The driver was identified as Jordan Xavier Marek, age 18, of Elba.

"Marek was rushed to Enterprise Medical Center where he succumbed to his injuries," Chief Staley said in a statement he released



Jordan Marek died Monday night reportedly from injuries sustained from a gunshot wound.

Tuesday morning. "There are no further details that can be disclosed at this time."

The shooting is being investigated by the Elba Police Department with the assistance of the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency's State Bureau of Investigations.

"The Elba Police Department would like to send its condolences to the victim's family and encourages anyone with any information to contact us at (334) 897-2555," Chief Staley said.

Marek was a current senior at Elba High School.

Elba Police make arrests for controlled substance crimes

Elba Police made two separate arrests last week for controlled substance crimes, according to Coffee County Jail records.

On Thursday, Sept. 22, Jeremy Cook, age 42, of Elba was arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance, along with tampering with physical evidence and felony probation violation. His bond was set at \$7,500 for the possession charge, and \$3,000 for the tampering charge.

Cook remained in the Coffee County Jail as of press time this week.

On Friday, Sept. 23, Elba Police arrested Kody Burks, age 28, of Enterprise on a conspiracy to commit a controlled substance crime. His bond was set at \$30,000 for this charge.

Burks also remained in the county jail as of press time this week.



Officials involved with the upcoming Carl Folsom Airport improvement project are pictured here. They include (from left): Matt Bragg - Southeast Site Services; Rothel Moody - Moody Contracting Inc.; Teddy Watts and Daniel Bright - Wiregrass Construction Co. Inc.; Jennifer Harp - Garver, Project Manager; Todd Cheatwood - Terracon; Greg Corder - Elba Airport Authority Board Member; Tom Maddox - Mayor, City of Elba; Jackie Windham and Kenneth Calhoun - Elba Airport Authority Board Members; Taylor Janney, P.E. - Alabama Department of Transportation - Aeronautics Engineering Manager; Bennett Head - Alabama Department of Transportation - Aeronautics Inspector; and Laurie Chapman - Elba Airport Authority Board Member

Project set to begin at Elba's Carl Folsom Airport

Airports nationwide will benefit from Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) grants using funding awarded by the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) for various airport improvements to support infrastructure construction and safety advances. These benefits can be far-reaching, and this year's recipients include the Carl-Folsom Field Airport in Elba, Ala.

The City of Elba and the airport board are under contract with Wiregrass Construction Co. Inc. to begin making much-needed improvements to the taxi-lanes at the airport in Elba beginning Monday, Oct. 3rd. Work is scheduled to take up to 110 days, weather permitting, putting the estimated project completion date at Jan. 21, 2023.

The scope of work will include improvements to the taxi-lane grades, relocation of utilities, reconstruction and widening of taxi-lanes to bring them up to current code requirements, and installing new signage.

Several years of appropriations from the Federal Airport Improvement Program (AIP), the Federal Airport Infrastructure Grant (AIG), and ALDOT Aeronautics Bureau funds, along with some local funds are being used to pay for this nearly \$1.1 million project.

After tabling the matter two weeks ago, Elba City Council awards bid for Putnam/Woodland repairs

After tabling the matter during the Sept. 12th council meeting, the Elba City Council voted Monday night, Sept. 26, to award a construction bid for culvert repair projects on Putnam Street and Woodland Drive.

The bid was awarded to S A Graham Company Inc. Total bid price was \$424,615, and the resolution to award the bid was passed with no opposition. ARPA [American Rescue Plan Act] funds will be designated to cover the cost of these repairs.

Putnam Street was a topic of concern for the council Monday night as they discussed "what to do" scenarios this week with Hurricane Ian potentially slated to bring rain to the area later in the week into the weekend.

Project engineer DeAnn Grantham recommended the city have its street department employees try to get the currently damaged culvert cleaned out enough to allow for some water drainage. She said any drainage that could be accomplished ahead of the storm would be beneficial.

Also, during the meeting, the council addressed the issue of renovations for the proposed site for the Elba Chamber of Commerce office. The Chamber office has been at a temporary

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by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Elba Water and Electric Board voted Monday night, Sept. 26, during its regular monthly meeting to give employees a one-time pay raise.

This action by the board followed suit with a similar motion approved Sept. 12th by the Elba City Council to also give current employees a one-time pay raise of \$500. The city also approved a motion at that time to transfer \$9,739.20 from ARPA [American Rescue Plan Act] funds to cover the cost of the one-time pay raises.

The \$500 amount is pre-tax and retirement withholdings; therefore, the

payment employees receive will be a lesser amount after all withholdings are taken. Also, during the meeting, board chair Jane Brunson said PowerSouth would be making a "15 Adders" adjustment to the city's electrical rates for the months of September, October, November, and December. She said this basically equates to the following scenario: "if a homeowner uses 2,000 kw of electricity for the month, the adders adjustment would be about \$13 on the cost."

Due to the adjustment, officials said the Elba's bill to PowerSouth went up approximately \$60,000;

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Tiger Tales returns to The Elba Clipper

Elba High School has restarted the *Tiger Tales* page with a plan to be included twice per month in the newspaper. A student-staff, led by Elba teacher Stephanie Wright, will gather information and write stories for the page.

"For years, we enjoyed a great partnership between the school and our office to bring school news to the community through the *Tiger Tales* page," said Linda Hodge, editor of The Elba Clipper. "Due to scheduling conflicts and other issues, the school was unable to put together a page for several years, but we are super excited to once again be able to collaborate and bring the *Tiger Tales* page to life again!"

The first edition of the new *Tiger Tales* pages is Page 10 of today's paper. Below is one of the articles prepared for the edition:



Students in Coach Al Gilmore's government/economics class present "Bills to the Senate" during a mock legislative session held recently at the school.

Elba senior government/economics class hold mock legislative session

by Clayton Parker and Conner Herrington

Education member Johnny Sem.

Coach Gilmore's students enjoyed learning about the process of how a bill becomes a law. "This was a great learning experience," said senior Bradley Chapman. "It was very challenging but also very rewarding."

Chapman said feels this hands-on learning experience taught him skills he can use in real life. The bill that won the Senate's approval was one that proposed a warning be placed on makeup products cautioning customers of a chemical that causes cancer.

Students were placed into groups and each group was tasked with presenting a bill they came up with before the Senate. The Senate was composed of Principal Wynn Grimes, Vice Principal Jason Tucker, Coach Jesse Luker and special guest, Elba Board of

Area Happenings

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL...On Thursday, Sept. 29, the Elba Tigers will host Red Level, the Zion Chapel Rebels will host G.W. Long, and the New Brockton Gamecocks will host Pike County. On Friday, Sept. 30, the Kinston Bulldogs will host Pleasant Home, and the Brantley Bulldogs will host Georgiana. Kickoff for all games is 7 p.m.

THE EVERGREEN CEMETERY BOARD will meet Thursday, Oct. 6, at 6 p.m., at Elba City Hall, 200 Buford Street.

BLOOD IS LIFE. Elba High School will host a Community Blood Drive on Wednesday, Oct. 12, from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. in the auditorium. This blood drive is in conjunction with LifeSouth Community Blood Centers. Donors must be age 16 or older [16-year-olds require written parental permission]. Also, donors must weigh at least 110 lbs. and show photo identification.

ELBA HIGH SCHOOL WILL CELEBRATE HOMECOMING Friday, Oct. 14th. The theme is "Top Gun: TIGERS!" There will be a Pep Rally/Bonfire Thursday [Oct. 13] at 6:30 p.m. at Tiger Town Park. The Homecoming Queen Coronation will be held Friday at 9 a.m. followed by a pep rally in the Elba High School stadium. Visitors for the coronation and pep rally will need to sit on the visitor's side. EHS will honor the Class of 1992 with a tea Friday at 1 p.m. in the Family and Consumer Science Department. The parade line up will begin at 1:30 with the parade at 3 p.m. Parade entries may be entered by contacting Elba High School at 897-2266 OR going online to the Elba High School Facebook Page and completing the online form. The Homecoming Court will be presented Friday at 6:30 p.m. prior to the football game.



"GOOD LUCK" CELEBRATION...Miss Elba Zalie McKelvy and Little Miss Elba Bella Bane were the honorees last Thursday evening, Sept. 22, for a "Good Luck" Celebration held at Blessed Nutrition in downtown Elba. The event allowed well-wishers to stop by and extend good luck remarks to both young ladies as they prepare to represent the City of Elba in the upcoming Miss National Peanut Festival Pageants. Bane will be competing in the Little Miss National Peanut Festival Pageant on Saturday, Oct. 8, while McKelvy will be participating in the Miss National Peanut Festival Pageant on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 14-15, in Dothan, Ala.

EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

"When the debate is lost, slander becomes the tool of the losers." - Socrates

There is an organized group in Alabama, 'Alabama Campaign for Adolescent Sexual Health', that is proposing vastly expanded statewide sex education in both public and private schools. Their talking points program call for "age-appropriate" sexual education for Alabama students. Sitting on that board are some highly placed Alabama leaders including the Superintendent of Education, State Health Officer, and Director of the Department of Public Health. They have an impressive list of other groups working with them on this project. There are good arguments for this formal education of Alabama's youth but with the nationwide eagerness to ban a wide range of books from the libraries, we can only imagine the uproar over this project once the actual subjects to be taught at the various levels become front page news and are openly proposed to the public. If on that committee we would want an unlisted phone, a secret address and a couple of bodyguards around the clock. That is not a tongue-in-cheek comment, just think about the threats federal officials, judges, and FBI agents got after the recent raid on Donald Trump's home in Florida.

Several days ago NASA crashed an unmanned spaceship into an asteroid that was seven million miles from earth. Now that is accurate shooting, especially at a moving object! Just think how far a quarter inch error in original launch aim would have caused that spaceship to miss the target. Oh, they are experimenting to see if humans can defend against some asteroid headed right at earth. We haven't heard, nor read, if hitting that big ole rock shooting through the sky caused it to change course or not, even after hitting it at 14,000 miles per hour. Experts say it may be months before there is an answer to that question.

The body of a dead man discovered Monday in an Enterprise clothes drop turned out to be a homeless man and initial results are that it was not a murder. The same can't be said for the 18-year-old Elba High School senior who died Monday night from a gunshot wound. No death is 'good' but the death of someone with their whole life ahead of him (or her) is the worst kind in our book. Thinking back to all the life experiences that are missed when a person dies so young just adds to our emotional anguish. Also we will never know what earth shattering deed that person was destined to contribute to the betterment of society. Of course we can multiply that thought by the thousands when thinking of the war dead..

At the time we are writing this column (Tuesday noon) it appears that the major hurricane making its way up through Florida will miss Elba by veering more to the East as it moves Northward. For that we are grateful, but even that idea embarrasses us. When the destructive weather misses us, it means someone else will be subjected to the misery that such a storm brings. We can only hope they suffer very little and their damage is something that can be quickly and easily repaired.

Be safe, wear your mask when appropriate, social distance, wash your hands AND get the shot(s) and/or boosters (the newest one)!

Robert Inman to visit and speak at events Oct. 11th-12th in Elba

Community members of all ages will have a chance to meet Elba native and award-winning novelist, screenwriter, and playwright Robert "Bob" Inman at events in Elba on October 11 and 12.

On Tuesday, October 11, following a visit with the Elba Public Library Book Club and meeting with students at Elba High School, Inman will be featured at the historic Elba Theatre at 6:30 p.m. to discuss "Elba Stories," preceded by a reception at 5:30 p.m., where submissions to an essay and art contest will be on display. On October 12 at 10:00 a.m., he will lead a workshop on "Writing Your Life" at the library.

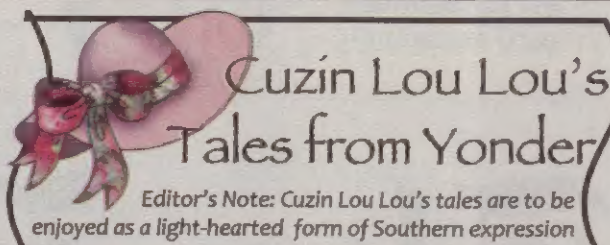
Inman began his writing career in junior high school working for the *Elba Clipper*. He has written five novels and one work of non-fiction related to growing up in Elba, as well as screenplays for television movies and scripts for plays that are performed around the country. You can read

more about his career at www.robert-inman.com.

The Elba Public Library has multiple copies of several books by Inman, and librarian Jennifer Amlong encourages everyone to enjoy any of his books where small town Southern characters come to life.

"We are very excited to have Mr. Inman visit," says Jennifer Amlong, director of the library. "Elba is fortunate to have such an esteemed writer as a native, and the library would love for people to check out one of multiple copies of his books in preparation of his visit."

Inman's visit is co-sponsored by the Elba Public Library, Restoration 154, and the Caroline Marshall Draughton Center for the Arts & Humanities at Auburn University. For more information, visit www.restoration154.com or contact Jennifer Amlong (jamlong@elbaal.gov, 334-897-6921) or Mark Wilson (mwilson@auburn.edu, 334-844-6198).



Editor's Note: Cuzin Lou Lou's tales are to be enjoyed as a light-hearted form of Southern expression

Cuzin Lou Lou spent some time over the weekend giving the Lou 2 a little extra love and care, and while she was excited with the results of her work, Sister didn't seem to care quite as much when Lou Lou insisted she come take a look at the progress made.

Lou Lou did, however, manage to convince Sister to come with her for a Saturday night ride, but only because Lou Lou had installed the soft top windows. Despite saying, mid-summer that she was waiting for the fall to enjoy the jeep riding, Sister decided it was now "too cool" in the evenings to ride Lou 2 without the windows in place.

Lou Lou just rolled her eyes and quietly asked, "What in the name of Yonder?!?!"

It seems it does not matter if it's hot or cold to Sister, she is going to find a reason to complain when it comes to riding Lou 2! Lou Lou has decided Sister does it just to drive her crazy!!

Maybe one day Sister will get beyond all her qualms regarding Lou 2 and just enjoy the ride! Even if she does not, it makes Lou Lou happy, happy, happy!

Until next time...God Bless and Keep Smiling!

Meeting Notice:

The Coffee County Conservation District members will hold their monthly board meeting Thursday, Oct. 13, at 9 a.m., inside the Coffee County Commission Room, 1065 E. McKinnon Street, New Brockton.

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, between Tuesday, Sept. 20, 2022, and Monday, Sept. 26, 2022, conducted the following activity:

Tuesday, Sept. 20 – Suspicious circumstances reported at 715 Troy Hwy (1:25 a.m.); Traffic accident reported on Hwy 87 N (5:58 a.m.); Sexual assault/rape reported at 230 Court Ave (12:02 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 7911 Hwy 189 (1:34 p.m.); Drug activity reported at 811 Buford St (2:31 p.m.). Four traffic stops resulted in two citations, one written warning, and one verbal warning.

Wednesday, Sept. 21 – Suspicious circumstances

reported at 882 Forest Ave (3:08 a.m.); Burglary reported at 1043 Elm Ave (7:33 a.m.); Traffic accident reported on Hwy 84 W (11:00 a.m.); Harassment reported on Simmons St (5:04 p.m.); Drug activity reported at Claxton Ave and Davis St (5:46 p.m.); Burglary reported at 1269 Highland Dr (8:55 p.m.). Six traffic stops resulted in three written warnings, one citation, one arrest, and one verbal warning.

Thursday, Sept. 22 – Shoplifter reported at 412 N Claxton Ave (10:56 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 999 County Rd 228 (11:07 a.m.); Domestic complaint reported on Hwy 87 (12:13 p.m.); Harassment reported at 997 Winston Ave (2:26 p.m.); Suspicious person reported on Adams St – w/ an arrest (5:42 p.m.). Five traffic stops resulted in two citations, one advice given, one arrest, and one written warning.

Friday, Sept. 23 – Report of shots fired at 990 Hwy 203 (1:12 a.m.); Domestic complaint reported at 1309 Martin Luther King Dr (8:45 a.m.); Criminal mischief reported at 231 Court Ave w/ arrest made (9:18 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 742 Reese Ave (3:16 p.m.); Trespassing reported at 220 County Rd 401, Lot 1 – w/ arrest (9:49 p.m.). Three traffic stops resulted in one verbal warning, one arrest, and one written warning.

Saturday, Sept. 24 – Traffic accident reported at 626 Adams Ave (12:13 a.m.). Two traffic stops resulted in two verbal warnings.

Sunday, Sept. 25 – Suspicious vehicle reported at Hwy 87/Claxton Ave (3:49 a.m.); Drug activity reported to Elba Police (5:43 p.m.); Harassing communications reported at 329 Sollie Dr (8:47 p.m.); Trespassing reported at 357 Brunson Circle (9:16 p.m.). Six traffic stops resulted in two written warnings, two citations, one no report, and one arrest.

Monday, Sept. 26 – Suspicious circumstances reported to Elba Police (12:50 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 429 Plant Ave (10:06 a.m.); Assault reported at 2209 Taylor Mill Rd (10:16 a.m.); Animal complaint reported on Guyton St (2:54 p.m.); Burglary reported at 1110 Hickman Ave (4:18 p.m.); Suspicious person reported on S Plant Ave (8:07 p.m.); Death investigation reported at 1077 Sunset Blvd (10:19 p.m.). Six traffic stops resulted in three verbal warning, and three citations.

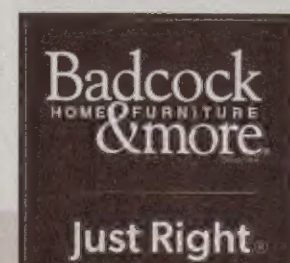
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Jack Day Festival set for Saturday

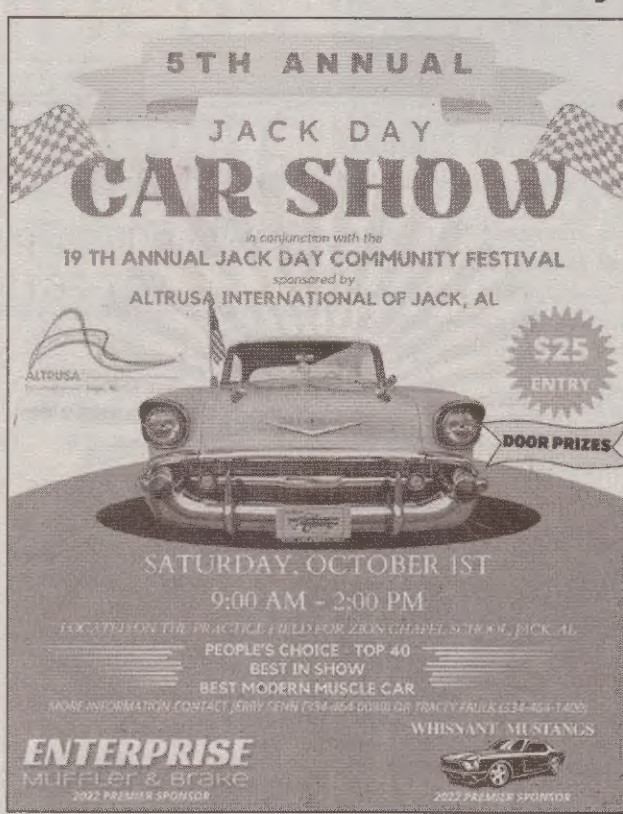
Altrusa International of Jack, Alabama will host its 19th annual Jack Day Festival Saturday, Oct. 1, in the Zion Chapel community.

Britley Parker, an Altrusa of Jack member, said this is always a great fundraising event for the non-profit organization with different vendors on site, along with entertainment throughout the day, and a car show.

"The Jack Day Festival is really our only fundraiser for the year," Parker said. "As a service organization, Altrusa recognizes literacy as its mission, and our local club promotes literacy through various projects."

Some service projects funded by Altrusa of Jack include: awarding three monetary scholarships per year, buying books for the local daycare, sponsoring Christmas families and purchasing Bingo prizes for the senior citizens center, along with making purchases for the library at Zion Chapel School.

This year, Parker said the event will add food trucks, and there will be small petting zoo made available by Marley Acres of Elba.



Opening ceremonies will begin at 9 a.m. and will include a performance by the Zion Chapel Rebel Band. Additionally, the event will include: 9:30 a.m. - Introduction of Miss Sunflower Queens and Miss Zion Chapel Queens 10:00 a.m. - SheBang! Performance

10:45 a.m. - ZC Varsity and JV Varsity Cheer Performance 11:00 a.m. - New Life Church at Perdue Worship Team 12:00 noon - Crews Wright 1:30 p.m. - Door Prizes, Silent Auction Winners, and Car Show Winners Announced

Wiregrass Republican Women to hold first meeting Thursday, Oct. 6th, in Enterprise

The Wiregrass Republican Women, Alabama's newest Republican Women's Club, will have its inaugural meeting Thursday, Oct. 6, at the Enterprise Country Club.

Lunch will begin at 11 a.m. followed by the first guest speaker for the club, GOP nominee for the U.S. Senate Katie Boyd Britt.

The club plans to meet the first Thursday of every month at the Enterprise Country Club. Annual dues will be \$35 and associ-

ate membership will be \$25 for men or those who belong to another club.

Please make a reservation if you are planning on attending and if you will be eating lunch. Deadline for reservations is Oct. 4th.

Lunch costs \$12 and will be a salad bar with grilled chicken or fried chicken strips. Reservations can be sent to wryw@gmail.com. For more information, visit the website at wiregrassrepublicanwomen.com



FLOOD WARNING SYSTEM NEW RAINFALL GAUGE... The Choctawhatchee, Pea and Yellow Rivers Watershed Management Authority (CPYRWMA) recently installed a new rainfall gauge in Coffee County on County Road 305. The new gauge is equipped with state-of-the-art radar technology and is critical as it monitors rainfall levels on Big Creek that flows into the Pea River. The gauges are a part of the CPYRWMA's basin-wide Flood Warning System (FWS). The gauge was funded by the Wiregrass RC&D. The purpose of the FWS is to provide timely, reliable, and accurate warnings of potential flooding in areas experiencing threatening weather conditions. Information from the FWS is disseminated real time to Emergency Management Agencies, state and local officials, and the National Weather Service for use in preparing forecasts. The CPYRWMA manages watersheds in the ten southeastern counties of Alabama focusing on water quality, water quantity, flood control and prevention, and water conservation education.

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if the decision was made to only renovate one side of the building at this time to house the Chamber office, then an architect would not have to be hired. The city could come back at a later date and renovate the other half of the building, which it hopes to appeal to a retail business.

Council members voted to only renovate half the building at this time for the Chamber office. After approving a motion to move forward with that, a bid package will be put together and sent out for contractors to bid on the

renovations project.

The council voted to appoint Beverly McCall to take Betty Hicks seat on the Elba Library Board.

Also, a motion was passed to continue to operate under the current Fiscal Year 2022 budget [which ends Sept. 30th] until a new budget for Fiscal Year 2023 is passed. The council will have a budget workshop on Tuesday, Oct. 18, at 5:30 p.m.

The next Elba City Council meeting will be Monday, Oct. 10, at 5:30 p.m.

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however, Brunson said measures in place by the Elba Water and Electric Board will keep it from having to pass all of the additional cost on to customers.

While the city will pay the 15 adders to PowerSouth, the Elba Water and Electric customers only will see a .007 adder to their bill for the 4-months being referenced.

Brunson said this is due to fuel adjustment calculations in place and good stewardship of funds by the Elba Water and Electric Board for its customers.

Board members said they were pleased to hear this would help prevent a big surge in price for customers.

The Water and Electric Board will hold a joint Fiscal Year 2023 budget workshop with the Elba City Council on Tuesday, Oct. 18, at 5:30 p.m. at Elba City Hall.

The next regular meeting will be Monday, Oct. 24th.

JOSHUA JEHU BURDESHAW

Mr. Joshua Jehu Burdeshaw, age 41, a resident of New Brockton, Ala., was found Wednesday, Sept. 21, 2022, near Elba, having succumbed to injuries sustained in a motorcycle accident.

In accordance with his wishes, no formal services will be held. Hayes Funeral Home of Elba is serving the Burdeshaw family.

Josh was preceded in death by his father, Douglas Wayne Burdeshaw.

Survivors include his mother: Dasey Ginnetie Burdeshaw, New Brockton; daughters: Dasey M. Burdeshaw, Cullman, Ala.; Morgan Danielle Burdeshaw, and Alexandria Paige Burdeshaw, both of New Brockton; a son: Joseph Wayne Burdeshaw, New Brockton; his sisters: Mary M. Burdeshaw, Elba, and Linda S. Burdeshaw, New Brockton; and brothers: Douglas J. Burdeshaw, Elba, and Wayne E. Burdeshaw, New Brockton.

NANCY CARNLEY MORROW

Mrs. Nancy Carnley Morrow died peacefully Thursday, Sept. 22, 2022, at St. Martin's in the Pines, Birmingham, Ala. On the previous day, she celebrated her 82nd birthday.

Nancy was born in Tuscaloosa, Ala., the eldest child of Judge S. Fleetwood and Mary T. Carnley, both natives of Elba. She was a 1958 graduate of Elba High School and attended Judson College.

In 1960 she married Paul C. Morrow of Elba.

Over the years, she served in dozens of civic programs, such as Library Board, Vacation Bible School, Athletic Boosters, Band Boosters, and church committees.

Funeral services were held Sunday, Sept. 25, 2022, from Hayes Funeral Home in Elba. Burial followed in Evergreen Cemetery of Elba.

Nancy was preceded in death by her husband, Paul C. Morrow; her parents, S. Fleetwood and Mary T. Carnley; and her brother, Terry D. Carnley.

Survivors include her sons: Morgan (Kathy) Morrow, Tuscaloosa, Ala.; Mason (Susan) Morrow, Dothan, Ala.; and Matt (Katie) Morrow, Birmingham; sisters: Mary (Don) Brown, Bethlehem, Pa. and Melanie (Tom)

Jones, Dothan; brother: Sam (Rosemary) Carnley, Birmingham; grandsons: Adam (Natalie) Morrow, Florence, Ala., Paul (Maggie) Morrow, Dothan, Robert Morrow, Birmingham; and granddaughters: Shelby Morrow, Tuscaloosa, Corinne Morrow, and Charlotte Morrow, both of Birmingham.

WILLIAM CECIL PATTERSON

Mr. William Cecil Patterson, age 81, of Kinston, Ala., died Wednesday, Sept. 21, 2022, at his home.

He was a deacon and long-standing member of the First Baptist Church of Kinston, and an active member at the Kinston Senior Center.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Sept. 24, 2022, from Wyatt Funeral Home Chapel with Stewart Young, Dr. Sam Self and Danny Branch officiating. Eulogy was given by Dennis Busby II. Burial followed in Peaceful Acres Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be made to Kinston Senior Center, PO Box 26, Kinston, Alabama 36453.

Mr. Patterson was preceded in death by his parents, Willie Pearl Rhodes Patterson and Clinton Cecil Patterson; brother, Coy Patterson; and sister-in-law, Polly Ann Patterson.

Survivors include his wife: Brunetta Killingsworth Patterson; daughters & sons-in-law: Cecilla Patterson West & David, and Lougener Patterson Wyrosdick & Jamie; brothers: Max Patterson, Henry Patterson & Elaine, and Charles Patterson & Sue; sister: Psyche Patterson & Dennis Busby; sister-in-law: Mandy Patterson; grandchildren: Blair Wyrosdick, William Wyrosdick, Dawson West & Brandii, Jessica West, Danay West and Adien West; two great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces & nephews.

ANNELL PITCHFORD HAWKINS

Mrs. Annell Pitchford Hawkins died Thursday night, Sept. 8, 2022, at her

home in Opelika, Ala., after an extended illness.

Graveside memorial service will be held Sunday, Oct. 2, 2022, at 1 p.m., in the United Methodist Church Cemetery, Union, located across from the church at 4428 Hwy 50 in Dadeville, Ala. Per Anne's wishes, her remains will be buried close to her father.

Memorial contributions may be made to a charity of choice in Anne's memory.

Anne was preceded in death by her father - A.D. Pitchford; mother - Alma Baker Pitchford McFarland; four sisters - Clara Pitchford Burdette, Carolina Pitchford Osborn, Donna Jo Pitchford Wilson; and infant daughter, Elizabeth Pitchford, daughter of the late A.D. Pitchford and wife Inez Miles Pitchford.

Survivors include her husband: Jerry Hawkins, Opelika; two daughters: Lisa Hawkins Page, Jacksonville, Fla., April Hawkins (Matt) Jones, Valley, Ala.; grandsons: Caleb, Jacob, Leland; granddaughter: Addie; her sister: Avis Faye Pitchford (Earl) Kyle, Elba, Ala.; and numerous nieces, nephews and their families, and cousins by the dozens.

CHARLOTTE "CHARLIE" MATHEWS

Mrs. Charlotte "Charlie" Mathews, age 66, of New Brockton, Ala., died Sunday, Sept. 25, 2022, at West Florida Hospital in Pensacola, Fla.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, Sept. 29, 2022, at 11 a.m., from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in with Timothy Davis officiating. Visitation will be at Hayes Funeral Home on Thursday, from 10-11 a.m.

Survivors include her husband: Conrad Robert Mathews, New Brockton; sons: Timothy (Nichole) Davis, Phoenix, Ariz., T.J. Skidmore, and Josh (Jeannie) Green, Biloxi, Miss.; daughters: Amanda Kay Mathews, New Brockton, and Angel Davis, Enterprise, Ala.; along with two brothers, one sister, and numerous nieces and nephews.

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Find someone to talk to. It can be very hard for survivors to find someone to talk about their feelings with because there is often a lot of stigma and misunderstanding around suicide. If you can't talk openly with friends or family, find a local support group, doctor, counselor, or religious leader to speak with.

Know it's not going to be easy. Grief is never easy, but suicide almost always leads to complicated grief. This means feelings of sadness and loss are extremely intense and can be very debilitating. It may take longer for you to start to heal.

Find ways to honor the life of the person who has died. Don't focus as much on their death but instead their life. Review pictures and mementos, make a memory box, spend time at their favorite spots, or cook their favorite food.

Develop a resource list of people to call when times get tough. Know you may have suicidal thoughts yourself and that this is very common. Have a list of trusted people to call when you need help.

Be kind to yourself. Eat healthy food, exercise, allow yourself time to do only what is essential, or spend time in nature.

Educate yourself. When you are ready, collect information about suicide. Read books about surviving suicide.

Don't be afraid to ask for help. It is always okay to reach out, no matter the day or time. No matter what you are feeling, someone else has felt that way before too. You can reach out to one of the organizations below for help.

National Suicide Prevention Hotline - 1-800-273-8255

www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org

Veterans Crisis Line - 1-800-273-8255 EXT 1

www.veteranscrisisline.net/get-help/hotline

SAVE: Suicide Awareness Voices of Education - www.save.org

If you would like a free funeral decisions guide, please email me at hayesfh@hayesfuneralhome.net

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CHURCH NEWS

PASTOR'S CORNER

by Dwight Johnson, Pastor
Elba First Assembly of God Church

For my Pastor's Corner articles this month, I've written about some of the adventures that Wanda and I had on our last trip to Africa. We had a very special time with our family there. We saw some amazing sights and had some awesome experiences. After several days, though, it was time to go home.

Africa has a special place in our hearts, as part of our heart lives there. But, our home is in Elba, and home was calling. There is something special about home. Home is where we belong. Home is our safe place, our place of comfort and security. Home is where we can be ourselves. Home pulls at us when we are away, and things aren't quite right until we can get there.

The book of Hebrews was written to a group of Christians who were "under the gun." Persecution was intense. Hebrews 10:33,34 tells us that there had been public ridicule, beatings, and imprisonment. Amazingly, the writer then states "...when all you owned was taken from you, you accepted it with joy. You knew there were better things waiting for you that would last forever." Home - their real home - was waiting.

So what if they had lost everything? So what if things didn't go as planned? It was okay, because it was all just temporary stuff. It was just a part of their journey. They weren't home yet!

In the final chapter, the writer is wrapping up his thoughts. He is emphasizing the most important aspects of his encouraging words. He states what these imbalanced Christians need to hear most. In 13:14 he reminds them that "This world is not our permanent home; we are looking forward to a home yet to come."

So, be encouraged! If life isn't going as planned, if there are setbacks, illnesses, whatever...it will be okay. You're not home yet! Home is waiting. Home is safe and secure. Home is our final destination!

Pleasant Ridge Primitive Baptist Church Homecoming will be Sunday, Oct. 2nd

Pleasant Ridge Primitive Baptist Church, located at 3698 County Road 228, Elba, Ala., will hold Homecoming on Sunday, Oct. 2.

The Old Southern Gospel Group will provide music beginning at 10 a.m., and services

will begin at 11. Bro. Will Jordan, Pastor of Mt. Zion Baptist Church will provide the message, followed by dinner on the grounds.

These are the first services since the pandemic, and everyone is invited to attend!

Elba Ministerial Alliance meeting set for Thursday, Oct. 6, at noon

The Elba Ministerial Alliance will meet Thursday, Oct. 6, at 12 noon at The Rabbit Hole, located at 214 Factory Street, Elba.

The group of local ministers meets every first

Thursday of the month at noon at local restaurants. All churches and faith-based organizations are invited to attend!

Homecoming at Whitewater Baptist Church will be for Sunday, Oct. 9th

Whitewater Baptist Church, located at 4301

Highway 125, Elba, Ala.,

will celebrate Homecoming

on Sunday, Oct. 9, with services

beginning at 10:30 a.m.

Special music will be provided

by Derek Snellgrove, and the

guest speaker will be Rev. Bruce Williams. A

covered dish luncheon in the church fellowship hall

will follow the worship service.

All members (past and

present) along with friends are invited to attend.

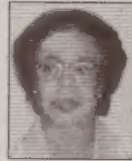
NOTICE:

Anyone age 60 or over needing a meal, or for questions about the Elba Senior Center or SARCOA, call the center at (334) 897-3019.

Round and About

With Eria's Daughter

897-3611



Scripture: Praise to God for His everlasting mercy [Psalm 118] His mercy endures forever.

Thinking of You! Praying for You.

All Bereaved Families, Shirley Coleman, Juanita Belcher Brooks, Rose Coleman, Karyn Newson, Angie Dawson, All Youth, Georgia Nelson, Evelyn B. Manning

September Birthdays / Anniversaries

Sylvia Blue Terrell 9/18 (in memory)
Kennedy Nelson 9/19
Jeanette Tillis 9/20
Rose Coleman 9/20
Stacy Faison 9/20
Charlotte Flowers 9/22
Richard "Squeak" Cooks 9/22
Otis Johnson 9/22
Cynthia J. Rayborn 9/23
Charlotte Whitehurst 9/23
Sam Terrell 9/24 (in memory)
Tennis Star Serena Williams 9/26
Charles S. Warren Jr. 9/27 (in memory)

When Leaders Fail

In 2015, the leadership of a certain church determined that they had treated one of their members unbiblically. The member had decided to separate from her husband after he confessed involvement with illegal pornography. She felt she needed to separate to keep her children safe, but church leaders had insisted she extend grace to her husband and keep living with him while the problem was addressed. Shortly thereafter, however, they realized their error and sought to rectify the situation through their own

repentance and confession. The distress of Daniel and his people was traceable, in large part, to their leaders. They had set the bad examples of idolatry and spiritual complacency (example: Jeremiah 44:16, 17). Therefore, Daniel confessed to the Lord the sins of such leaders.

The humble actions of the penitent church leaders removed obstacles along the woman's path to healing. As Daniel confessed the sins of leaders, he "owned" those sins as his. Did those sinful leaders themselves ever do the same? Do ours? - D.C.S.

Question / Answer Section

Q/A for the Week of 9/29/2022

True or False

Q: Philip the evangelist was

"one of the five"

A: False [Acts 21:8]

Q: According to James,

it doesn't matter if works

accompany faith.

A: False [James 2:17]

Q: Wisdom from above

shows partiality toward rich

people.

A: False [James 3:17, 18]

Thought to Remember

The sign of the spirit-filled

heart tells me - only the

one who made me can make

new new

Questions for the Week of

10/6/22

True or False

Q: Saul took an oath not to

seek David's life.

Q: In the Book of Acts, 16th

Chapter, Lydia and other

women met Paul while praying

in a synagogue.

Today is a good day! Be

grateful!

Eria's Daughter, Sue

Military Support Group Meetings:

Enterprise Military Support Group meets on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. Anyone who needs to talk about difficult experiences and needs an understanding friend is invited. Meetings at Church on Boll Weevil Circle, 2017 Boll Weevil Circle, Enterprise, Ala.

Country Cathedral presents The Shepherds

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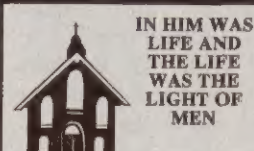
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ABUNDANT LIFE

COMMUNITY CHURCH

Rocky Pearce, Pastor

Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

ABUNDANT LIFE

CHURCH SAMSON, Ala.

Richard Thorn Sr., Pastor

Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.

Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.

ALBERTON BAPTIST

CHURCH

Harry Driggers, Pastor

Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH

Sam Self, Pastor

Sunday School... 9:30 a.m.

Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.

Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

BETHEL AME CHURCH

Deborah A. Butler, Pastor

Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

BETHLEHEM BAPTIST

CHURCH

Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m.

Wed. Bible Class... 6:30 p.m.

BETHANY BAPTIST

CHURCH

Greg Cotter, Pastor

Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.

Disciple Train... 5:30 p.m.

Even. Worship... 6:30 p.m.

BLUFF SPRINGS

BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

BROOKLYN BAPTIST

CHURCH

Robert Davis, Pastor

Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.

CHESTNUT GROVE

METHODIST CHURCH

Remondia Smith, Pastor

Church Service... 9:00 a.m.

2nd & 4th Sundays

Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.

1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays

Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.

2nd & 4th Sundays

CORNERSTONE BIBLE

CHURCH

Larry Mills, Pastor

Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.

Even. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

Wed. Night... 7:00 p.m.

COVENANT COMMUNITY

CHURCH

Paul Jackson, Pastor

Sunday Fellowship... 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.

Wed. Night "Peak of the

Week & meal... 5:30 p.m.

Bible Study & Prayer... 6:15

p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

DAMASCUS BAPTIST

CHURCH

Steve Watson, Pastor

Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.

Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

DORCAS BAPTIST

CHURCH

Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

Discipleship Training 5:00

p.m.

Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.

EANON BAPTIST

CHURCH

Mark Ward, Pastor

Sunday School... 10:30 a.m.

Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

Wed. Bible Study... 6:15 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST

Philip Box, Minister

Bible Study... 9:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.

Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD

David Noble, Pastor

Sunday School... 10:45 a.m.

Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

Even. Worship... 5:00 p.m.

Wed. Bible Study... 6:30 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD

OF PROPHECY

H.L. Buckner, Pastor

Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

Sunday Night... 10:00 a.m.

Thur. Night... 7:00 p.m.

ELBA DELIVERANCE

TABERNACLE

Allen Richards, Pastor

Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

ELBA 1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Dwight Johnson, Pastor

Sunday School... 9:30 a.m.

Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.

Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.

Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.

ELBA FIRST BAPTIST

CHURCH

Kit Johnson, Pastor

Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.

Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.

ELBA UNITED

METHODIST CHURCH

Steve Reneau, Pastor

Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.

Even. Services... 6:00 p.m.

Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

ELBA ZION BAPTIST

CHURCH

Lovell Martin, Pastor

Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.

Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.

EVANGELIST TEMPLE

CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

Timothy Williams, Pastor

Sunday School... 10:30 a.m.

Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m.

Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

FAIRVIEW BAPTIST

CHURCH

Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.

Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

Wed. Prayer Meet 7:30 p.m.

FAITH CHAPEL

COMMUNITY CHURCH

Phillip Adcock, Pastor

Sunday Morning... 10:30 a.m.

Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE

Default being made in the conditions of that certain mortgage executed by CHESTER HOLLEY AND BETTIE HOLLEY, AS HUSBAND AND WIFE, to Troy Bank and Trust Company, a banking corporation, as successor by merger to The Peoples Bank of Coffee County, on April 14, 2006, and being recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Coffee County, Alabama in A/OFFR 94A, Page 551, said Mortgagee to realize the entire indebtedness hereby will, on the 26th day of October, 2022, between the legal hours of sale at the Courthouse door in Coffee County, Alabama, Elba Division, under the powers contained in said mortgage, sell at auction to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property:

The W 1/2 of the SE 1/4 and the SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 all in Section 13, Township 3, Range 19; LESS AND EXCEPT all that portion of the W 1/2 of SE 1/4 of Section 13, Township 3, Range 19 lying West of the Old Elba-Samson Road, said exception containing 23 acres, more or less, and LESS AND EXCEPT one acre wide North and South and 3 acres deep running East and West in the S 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 13, Township 3, Range 19.

ALSO, LESS AND EXCEPT THE FOLLOWING FOUR PARCELS: EXCEPTED PARCEL ONE: A parcel of land located in the SW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 13, Township 3 North, Range 19 East in Coffee County, Alabama, and being further described as follows: Commence at the NE corner of the SW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 13, Township 3 North, Range 19 East; thence South 00°51' East a distance of 133.50 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING of the parcel of land described herein; thence South 49°57' West a distance of 594.33 feet; thence South 27°58' East a distance of 238.10 feet; thence South 64°56' East a distance of 109.30 feet; thence North 66°49' East a distance of 267.45 feet; thence North 00°11' West a distance of 533.64 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. The herein described parcel of land contains 3.95 acres. Also, a forty feet wide easement extending from the paved county road to west side of the above described parcel being further described as follows: Commence at the northeast corner of the SW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 13, Township 3 North, Range 19 East; thence South 00°51' East a distance of 133.50 feet; thence 49°57' West a distance of 566.73 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING of the easement described herein; thence South 49°57' West a distance of 27.60 feet; thence South 27°58' East a distance of 24.17 feet; thence North 83°47' West a distance of 486.10 feet to the East right-of-way of a paved road known as the Ino to Macedonia Church paved county road; thence North 00°00' East a distance of 40.22 feet along the East right-of-way of said paved county road (80 ft. right-of-way); thence South 83°47' a distance of 496.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING, with all improvements thereon.

NOTE: Excepted Parcel One is that identical property conveyed by Don Holley unto Barbara Holley by Quitclaim Deed dated May 14, 2001 and recorded in A/OFFR BK 54A, Page 210. EXCEPTED PARCEL TWO: A 19.00, more or less, acre parcel of land being a part of the NW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 13, T3N, R19E, Coffee County, Alabama, and being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a spike nail at the centerline intersection of Coffee County Roads 460 and 476; thence N 59°03'55" E 47.87 feet, to the point of beginning, said point being an iron pipe at the intersection of the East line of said road 460 with the North line of said NW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of said NW 1/4 of the SE 1/4; thence N 89°29'00" E 818.93' along the North line of said NW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 to an iron pipe in a fence; thence S 03°49'28" E 1015.69' along said fence to an iron pipe; thence S 89°29'00" W 740.28' to an iron pipe; thence N 00°31'00" W 283.44' to an iron pipe; thence S 89°29'00" W 153.12' to an iron pipe on the East line of said road 460; thence N 00°17'27" W 79.63' along the East line of said road 460 to an iron pipe; thence N 00°51'11" E 651.11' (chord) along the East line of said road 460 to the point of beginning. EXCEPTED PARCEL THREE: A 1.00, more or less, acre parcel of land being a part of the NW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 13, T3N, R19E, Coffee County, Alabama, and being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a spike nail at the centerline intersection of Coffee County roads 476 and 460; thence N 59°03'55" E 47.87' to an iron pipe at the intersection of the East line of said road 460 with the North line of said NW 1/4 of the SE 1/4; thence S 00°51'11" W 651.11' (chord) along the East line of said road 460 to an iron pipe; thence S 00°17'27" E 79.63' along the East line of said road 460 to the point of beginning. Said point being an iron pipe; thence N 89°29'00" E 153.12' to an iron pipe; thence S 00°31'00" E 283.44' to an iron pipe; thence S 89°29'00" W 154.24' to an iron pipe on the East line of said road 460; thence N 00°17'27" W 283.45' along the East line of said road 460 to the point of beginning. EXCEPTED PARCEL FOUR: .59 acres conveyed to Coffee County by Right of Way Deed recorded in A/OFFR BK 43A, Page 886. NOTE: Excepted Parcels Two, Three and Four above is that identical property conveyed by Chester Holley and wife, Bettie Holley unto Don L. Holley by Warranty Deed dated September 20, 2004 and recorded in A/OFFR BK 81A, Page 542. The above property is being sold "AS IS" and is subject to any and all reservations, easements, restrictions, covenants, rights of way, and all matters of record. Said sale is made for the purpose of paying the mortgage debt, costs and expenses arising out of the mortgagors' default, including attorney's fees. Please be advised that Allen C. Jones, as a debt collector, is attempting to collect the debt identified herein and that any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Alabama law gives some persons who have an interest in property the right to redeem the property under certain circumstances. Programs may also exist that help persons avoid or delay the foreclosure process. An attorney should be consulted to help you understand these rights and programs as a part of the foreclosure process.

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NOTICE OF COMPLETION

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IN RE: THE ESTATE OF GRACE LEE DRIGGERS, DECEASED

CASE NO: PC-2022-065

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary were granted on September 20, 2022, to Mitchell N. Driggers, as Executor of the Estate of Grace Lee Driggers, deceased, who departed this life on the 7th day of August, 2022, by the Hon. Jodee Rowe Thompson, Judge of Probate.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred. Mitchell N. Driggers, Executor of the Estate of Grace Lee Driggers, Deceased 9/29, 10/6&13-pd.

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SPORTS NEWS

Views From

The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

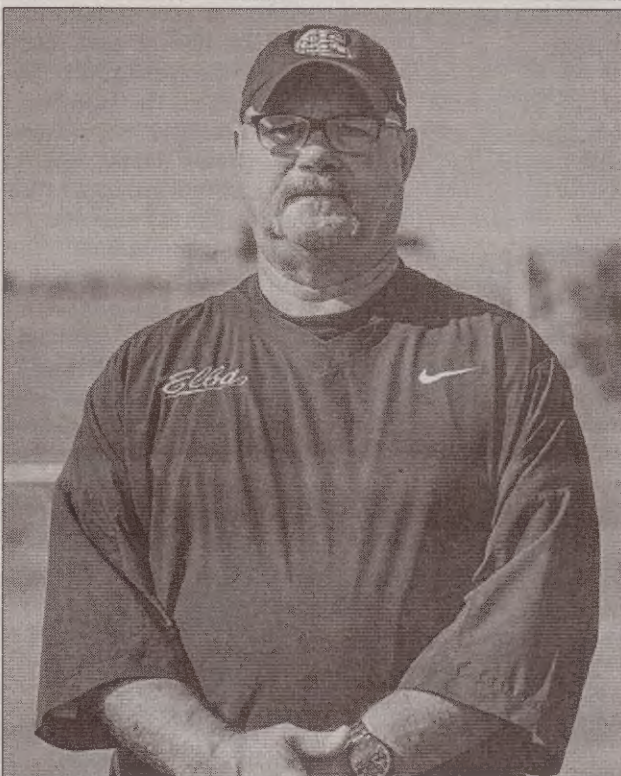
Our grandson Lawson takes time every afternoon to go outside and play with our white lab Buster, and one day last week made an amazing discovery when he looked under the front steps and discovered two newborn kittens resting on an old seat cushion. He told his Nanny about the discovery, found an old animal cage in the storage shed and by the time I made it home the kittens and their momma cat were all asleep. I guess the kittens are now part of the family.

For what it is worth....

*** *The Elba Tigers picked up their 600th win and remained undefeated last week with an impressive 40-7 win over 3A Providence Christian. The Tigers were expected to struggle against the private school power from Dothan, but jumped out to a 27-0 halftime advantage and coasted in with their fifth win of the season. There were several key sequences of plays in the win, but perhaps none bigger than late in the second quarter when Elba scored two touchdowns to take command. Providence Christian was facing a fourth down at the Elba 17-yardline*



Coach Al Gilmore - Elba Offensive Coordinator



Coach Johnny Dyess - Elba Defensive Coordinator

Tigers host Red Level in region clash

The Elba Tigers will close out a four-game homestand and look to remain atop the region standings Thursday night, Sept. 29, when they host the much-improved Red Level Tigers, on Mack Wood Field.

The game will begin a stretch of five straight region contests to close out the season, with two games at home and three on the road as the Tigers

look to claim the region title and the homefield advantage in the playoffs.

Elba will carry a perfect 5-0 record into the region match-up and owns a 5-1 series edge over Red Level, including a 63-14 win in the last meeting back in 2019, while Red Level will enter the game with a 3-2 record, 3-1 in region play, and is looking to keep its post-season hopes alive.

"Red Level has a very well coached team that doesn't make mistakes and plays hard on every snap," stated Elba Tiger head coach Marc Sieving. "They are tied for second in the region standings with three wins and will be coming over here Friday night looking to knock us off and clinch a spot in the playoffs. We expect a tough game against a quality opponent and know we will have to play our best to claim a win."

"On offense they like to run the jet sweep and run some powers off tackle," said Sieving, "and they have a really shifty quarterback that can run and pass. Over on defense they are aggressive and run to the football. They haven't allowed many points all season and only gave up seven points last week in the loss to Bullock County. So, they do like to play defense. For us to be successful this week we will have to play up to our potential and keep the foot to the gas on both sides of the ball. We work hard in practice to get better in games and we have to play with intensity and pay hard on every snap. On offense we will need to establish the run early and be physical up front. Over on defense, we will need to tackle well, be alert in the secondary and get folks around the football. We work hard to get better each and every week, and that is our goal again this week - to get better!"

Red Level is enjoying a return to success this season after posting only seven wins over the past three years combined, and have posted wins over Pleasant Home 26-6, Houston County 26-0 and McKenzie 25-14, while losing its season opener to Florala 34-19 and last week to 4A Bullock County 7-0, on the road.

"Red Level has improved every week on both sides of the ball and

last week went on the road and almost knocked off a 4A opponent in Bullock County," added Sieving. "Last week proved they can go on the road and play well against a quality opponent, and this week they will be looking forward to the challenge when they travel to Elba. They have eight seniors and four juniors that have led the way back for the younger players on the team and there is no doubt we will have our hands full against a confident region foe."

"We are where we want to be in the region standings after five weeks," added Sieving, "but this is the first of five straight region battles and we need to get the second half of the season off to a good start with a win at home. I know our fans are excited, because our players and coaches are excited about what this team has done. However, all of that is in the past and we have to get ready for a really tough five-week grind against five quality opponents."

When asked about last week's 40-7 win over Providence Christian, Coach Sieving stated, "I was really proud of guys because they played well against a very good football team and continued to improve in the areas we work at every day at practice. The defense had some stops in key situations, the offense was able to take charge up front and had explosive plays, and it was just a good all-around win. We went into the game expecting a war, but our players stepped up and continued to show improvement. It was a good win."

Elba Termites shutout Goshen 34-0 for win

The Elba Parks and Recreation youth football program hosted Goshen last Saturday morning at Tiger Stadium in Elba for Mini Mite, Termite and PeeWee action.

Only the Elba Termites claimed a victory for the first games of the season. The Elba Mini Mites dropped their opener 8-16 to Goshen, the Elba Termites shutout Goshen

losing in 1A, including #7 Pickens County falling to Gordo 48-18; four teams losing in 2A, including #7 G.W. Long being upset by Dale County 26-22; five teams losing in 3A, including #1 Piedmont to Anniston 30-28; two teams losing in 5A, including #3 Ramsey falling to Auburn 42-21; four teams losing in 6A, including #1 Clay-Chalkville falling to Thompson 17-14; and, 7A, #3 Central Phenix City being outscored by IMG 41-26. Some area teams that caught my eye last week included undefeated Andalusia pounding Bibb County 55-18, Arton knocking off previously unbeaten Straughn 28-14, Pike Lib remaining winless with a 56-0 loss to Montgomery Catholic, Daleville winning its third straight game with a 53-0 win over winless Barbour County, Florala picking up its fourth win of the season with a 28-14 victory over Samson, Houston Academy remaining undefeated with a big 41-0 victory over Abbeville, Opp rallying to get past Rehobeth 23-13, and Pike County getting a much needed 18-13 win over Headland.

*** *It was a winning week for college teams in the state many area fans follow as Alabama humbled Vanderbilt 55-3, Auburn slipped past Missouri 17-14 and Troy dominated Marshall 16-7. The Crimson Tide defense totally dominated a Commodore offense that came into the game averaging over 400 yards per game in a 3-1 start as it allowed just 129 yards in total offense and 1 of 13 third down conversions, while Auburn didn't win its game, the Tigers just didn't lose as Missouri handed the home town Tigers an early Christmas present. I went to the Troy-Marshall game and was very impressed with the Trojans defense, and although the offense managed just three field goals while rolling up over 400 yards, it showed a big play potential, which could help the 'Men from Troy' get many more wins.*

*** *Ye Ole Polish Prognosticator* said he put his crystal ball back in storage over the weekend after posting an 18-2 slate on last week's prep predictions. The local guesspert did bounce back strong after a couple of so-so weeks, but there are some tough picks this week and we'll just have to wait and see if his improvement continues. Here is this week's fearless forecast....

ELBA VS. RED LEVEL

Looks like a real catfight on tap this weekend here in Elba as the Pea River felines get ready to host a litter of kitties from over in the woods of Covington County. The felines appear to be a little too quick for the visitors, but this one could be closer than many think.

ELBA 34 RED LEVEL 14

NEW BROCKTON VS. PIKE COUNTY

The roosters were out looking for a new place to hang out during their week off and are hoping that a change of scenery to an empty building downtown will be the change needed to turn things around. I'm not sure their new roost will make a difference this week; however, since a pack of dogs are already circling the building.

PIKE COUNTY 30 NEW BROCKTON 0

G.W. LONG VS. ZION CHAPEL

The troops from up at Fort Jack will be back at home this weekend in preparation for a battle with a troop that will arrive hungry after an unexpected loss a week ago. While there is no doubt the Rebels will win, the guess here is it will be the troops in the wrong colored uniforms.

G.W. LONG 31 ZION CHAPEL 13

PLEASANT HOME VS. KINSTON

The bulldogs from down near the county line limped back home last weekend after getting spanked up in the woods of Pike County, but are convinced better days are ahead as they try and salvage a winning season. A flock of birds should arrive just before dark on Friday night near the ballfield. So, maybe the 'dogs will finally get to enjoy a postgame meal.

KINSTON 27 PLEASANT HOME 22

GEORGIANA VS. BRANTLEY

The bulldogs from up across the river are tired of losing after just six weeks of hunting season and have their sights set on bagging a litter of kitties that are set to come to town just before dark. The kitties have clawed everyone they have met so far this season, but that may end this week against this pack of hungry 'dogs.

BRANTLEY 34 GEORGIANA 12

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SPORTS NEWS

Elba Tigers cage Eagles 40-7

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor
Photos by BC Sports Photography

The Elba Tigers scored two touchdowns in a thirty-second span late in the second quarter to take command and never looked back Friday night to post an impressive 40-7 non-region win over the Providence Christian Eagles, at Tiger Stadium.

Elba received the game's opening kickoff and promptly went 48 yards in six plays to get on the scoreboard. The Tiger touchdown came on fourth down and two at the Eagles 28-yardline when Alvin Henderson burst through a hole in the middle of the defense and raced 28 yards for the score. Alex Wisecup kicked the extra-point, and with 8:25 left in the opening quarter the Tigers were already on top 7-0.

Elba regained possession at the Providence Christian 28-yardline when the Eagles punter kicked his up-back on the punt attempt, and the Tigers needed seven plays to cover the distance into the endzone. Alvin Henderson rushed for 24 yards on five carries during the short scoring drive and scored his second touchdown of the quarter when he flipped over the top from one yard out on fourth down and goal. A bad snap foiled the extra-point try, but with 3:11 left in the quarter the Tigers lead was up to 13-0.

The teams swapped punts on the game's next two offensive series and then were hit by the turnover bug as the next three series all ended in turnovers. After all the possession changes the Tigers wound up with the football at its own 11-yardline, and stunned the Eagles defense on first down when Cayden Adkins took a short snap from the blocking-back position, reached the corner and raced 89 yards for a touchdown. Wisecup added the extra-point as the Tiger lead grew to 20-0 with 2:00 remaining in the half.

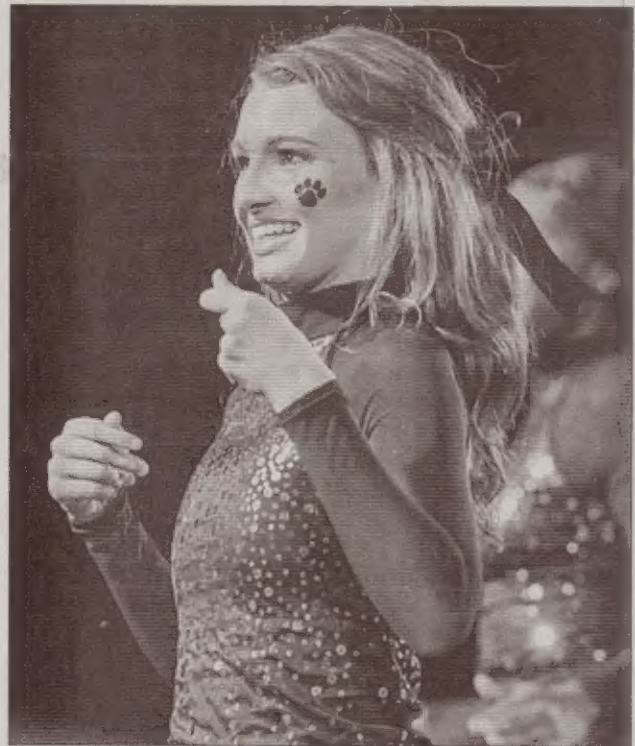
Elba got the ball right back at the Providence Christian 38-yardline when the Eagles fumbled the ensuing kickoff, and thirty-seconds later the Tigers were back in the endzone after Alvin Henderson turned the corner and scampered 38 yards for his third touchdown of the half. Wisecup kicked the extra-point as Elba opened up a 27-0 lead with 1:30 left on the clock.

Providence Christian received the second half kickoff and reached the Elba 20-yardline before turning the ball over for the fifth straight possession, this time on a fumble recovery by the Tigers Brayden Johnson.

Elba had moved only two yards after two penalties and a big loss on a reverse; However, Alvin Henderson go the call on the next play and responded with a 69-yard touchdown dash to blow the game open. Alex Wisecup booted the extra-



Elba Tiger Cayden Adkins (10) is off and running on an 89-yard touchdown run in last week's big 40-7 win over Providence Christian.



Elba Marching Tiger Zalie McKelvy performs at half-time in last week's home game against the Providence Christian Eagles.



Elba Tiger captains Austin Aguilar (14) and Kaleb Mitchell (55) escort honorary captain Ri'shad Hill to the field for the coin toss prior to last week's game with Providence Christian. Hill recently was diagnosed with leukemia, and in support of him and childhood cancer awareness Friday night was "Go Gold for Ri'Shad" at Tiger Stadium.



Elba Tigers Emmanuel Cooks (62) and JT Coleman (8) are ready to roar. The Tigers will host Red Level Thursday night in an important region match-up at Tiger Stadium.



TIGERS RECOGNIZED AT ELBA QB CLUB MEETING...During the Elba Quarterback Club's "Game Day" lunch meeting Friday, Sept. 23, Head Coach Marc Sieving recognized four players for their notable play in recent games. The players recognized were (from left) Alex Wisecup, Austin Aguilar, Cayden Adkins, and Ty Sieving.

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SPORTS NEWS

Brantley drops nailbiter 28-27

Statistics by Greg Brunson
Photos by Cody Nichols

The Brantley Bulldogs watched a two-touchdown third quarter lead evaporate in a disappointing 28-27 homefield loss to the Highland Home Flying Squadron, last Thursday night at Brantley's David Lowery Stadium.

Highland Home was forced to punt on its initial two possessions, but began its third offensive series near midfield after a pass interception and cashed in the turnover as the Squadron went 48 yards in four plays to get on the scoreboard. The score came on a 31-yard touchdown toss from Brice McKenzie to Kendarious Shepard, and Austin Norman kicked the extra-point to put Highland Home on top 7-0 with 3:45 left in the first quarter.

Brantley began its ensuing possession at the Highland Home 44-yardline after a 30-yard kickoff return by Robert Shine and from there the Bulldogs needed eight plays to reach paydirt. A 29-yard pass from Jayden Parks to Jon Bush was a key play in the scoring drive, while the touchdown came on a 1-yard run by Kedrick Brown. Parks added the extra-point, and with 11:56 remaining in the second quarter the Bulldogs had pulled even at 7-7.

The score didn't remain tied for long; however, as Highland Home struck back on the ensuing kickoff on a 77-yard kickoff return for a touchdown by Tyler Chaney. Norman's extra-point try was true, and with 11:43 left in the quarter the Squadron was back on top 14-7.

Brantley began its next possession at its own 38-yardline and stunned the second-ranked Flying Squadron by going 62 yards in six plays to again pull even on the scoreboard. A 52-yard pass from Jayden Parks to Kedrick Brown

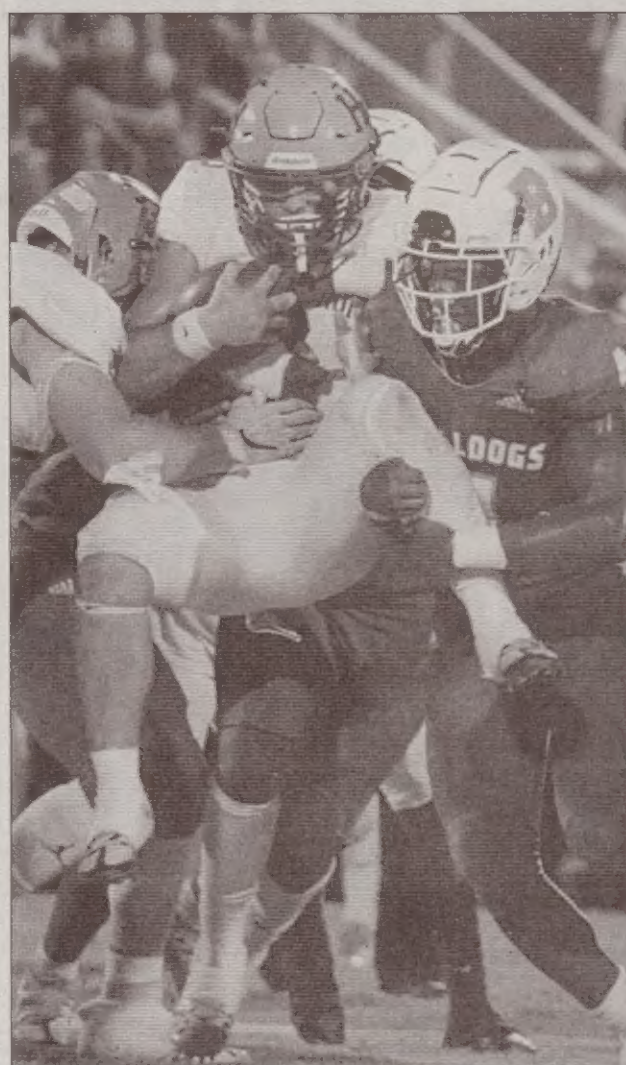
sparked the long scoring march, while the touchdown came on a 6-yard run up the middle by Brown. Parks again added the extra-point as the Bulldogs caught the Squadron at 14-14 with 8:58 still left in the half.

Brantley began its next series at the Highland Home 6-yardline after a 54-yard interception return by Jon Bush, but a pair of penalty flags against the Bulldogs backed the ball up to the 31-yardline, and the scoring threat ended with a quarterback sack on fourth down.

The Bulldogs received the second half kickoff and promptly marched 65 yards in seven plays to grab their first lead of the night. A 13-yard td toss from Parks to Bush was wiped off by a penalty flag, but the flag only delayed the score as on the next play Parks hooked up with Jon Bush from 18 yards out for a Brantley touchdown. Cooper Layton added the extra-point, and with 7:47 left in the third quarter the Bulldogs owned a 21-14 lead.

Brantley quickly regained possession near midfield on a pass interception by Kaleb Weed, and this time needed only three plays to get back into the endzone, with the score coming on a 45-yard pass from Jayden Parks to Jordan Parks. The Bulldogs were unsuccessful on a two-point attempt following a Highland Home penalty, but with 4:25 remaining in the quarter Brantley had opened up a 27-14 advantage over its county rivals.

Highland Home was forced to punt on its ensuing possession, but got a much needed break and regained momentum when the Squadron's Terrin Brown took the ball away from a Bulldog runner and returned the fumble 24 yard for a touchdown. Norman's extra-point try was successful, and with 2:19 left in the quarter the



Brantley Bulldog Kedrick Brown (4) and Bulldog teammates catch a Flying Squadron runner in midair in last week's cross-county clash. The Bulldogs will host undefeated Georgiana Friday night in an important region battle.

Squadron was back in the hunt, trailing only 27-21.

Brantley turned the ball over on downs at the Highland Home 34-yardline on its ensuing possession, and again lightning struck for the Flying Squadron only two plays later when Brice McKenzie completed a 39-yard touchdown toss to Jakaleb Faulk. Norman booted the extra-point as Highland Home regained the lead at 28-27 with 11:29 left in the fourth quarter.

Brantley drove to a first down at the Highland Home 39-yardline on its ensuing possession behind the hard running of Robert Shine and Kedrick Brown, but a holding penalty slowed the march and the Bulldogs failed to cash in

the scoring opportunity.

Highland Home began its next possession at its own 20-yardline with just over six minutes left on the clock and turned to its running game as the Squadron ran the ball on 13 straight plays and ate up all the time on the clock to claim the heart stopping 28-27 win.

Robert Shine rushed for 37 yards on 15 carries to lead Brantley and Brice McKenzie rushed for 59 yards on 17 carries to lead Highland Home, while in the air the Bulldogs Jayden Parks completed 7 of 18 passes with two interceptions for 182 yards, and the Flying Squadron's Brice McKenzie connected on 4 of 10 passes with two interceptions for 80 yards.

Kinston Bulldog runner eyes a hole in the defense and gets ready to take off, Kinston will host Pleasant Home Friday night in region play.

Kinston gashed in Goshen 63-19

Statistics by W.J. Adcock
Staff photos by Cody Nichols

The Kinston Bulldogs moved up in class Friday night to challenge the 2A Goshen Eagles and after a competitive first quarter could only watch as the Eagles soared to a big 63-19 homefield win.

Kinston battled the high-scoring Eagles on even terms throughout the opening quarter and trailed only 8-0 heading into the second stanza after a 1-yard Goshen scoring run by Jamari McClure and a pass from Peyton Stamey to Tyler McLendon for a two-point conversion. However, Goshen struck quickly in the second quarter and after touchdown runs of 1 and 78 yards by Szemerick Andrews and a pair of extra-point kicks by Christopher Thompson the Eagles lead had grown to 21-0.

Kinston got on the scoreboard with 4:49 remaining in the quarter on a 38-yard scamper by Jeb Crosby and an extra-point kick by Marcus Free to pull within 21-7, but the score seemed to have little impact on the Eagles as Goshen added three more first half touchdowns to open up a lopsided 42-7 halftime advantage. The final three scores of the half came on a 26-yard td toss from Stamey to McLendon, a 24-yard dash by Andrews, and a 6-yard td toss from Stamey to McClure. Thompson was perfect with his extra-point attempts, as the Eagles were in command when the teams left the field at halftime.

Goshen pushed its lead to 49-7 midway through the third quarter on a 25-yard touchdown pass from Stamey to McClure and the extra-point by Thompson, but Kinston refused to quit and came back to life on offense and scored on a 25-yard fumble return by Dalton Smith to pull within 49-13 with 11:17 remaining in the fourth quarter.

The Eagles again had an answer for the Bulldog points as they scored twice more in the stanza and upped its lead to 63-13 with 5:22 left on the clock. The points came on a 43-yard run by Andrews, a 10-yard scamper by Braxton Jones and the talented toe of Christopher Thompson, and while the Bulldogs did score in the final minute of the game on a 25-yard touchdown run by Drew Connor, it only changed the final score as Goshen evened its record at 3-3 with the lopsided 63-19 win.

Colby Tew rushed for 64 yards on 8 carries to lead Kinston on the ground, while Jeb Crosby rushed for 47 yards and one touchdown on 7 carries and had one pass reception for 5 yards.

Goshen, which rushed for 431 yards in the win, was led by Szemerick Andrews with 223 yards rushing and 3 touchdowns on 15 carries and Jamari McClure with 108 yards and one td rushing on 4 carries. Peyton Stamey completed 3 of 5 passes for 57 yards and three touchdowns.

Zion Chapel's Avery Padgett and Ethan Young participate in Abu Garcia BASSMASTER High School Combine event

Lake Wheeler, Decatur, Ala., hosted the Abu Garcia BASSMASTER High School Combine [Sept. 16-18] presented by Skeeter Boats.

Among the 100 anglers representing 22 states were Avery Padgett and Ethan Young from the Zion Chapel Bass Team. For those who may be unfamiliar with such an event, this was not a fishing tournament; it was a skills challenge and an opportunity for these young anglers to meet with fishing team coaches and teammates from several colleges and universities who were seeking new anglers for their teams.

On Friday evening, the anglers accompanied by their parents attended a Meet and Greet at Ingalls Harbor Pavilion. Prior to the meeting, the anglers had been advised to dress to impress as this would be their first opportunity to meet with the various coaches and teammates from the many colleges and universities.

The anglers were recommended to bring: their high school transcripts, letter of recommendations, a list of extracurricular activities in which they were involved outside of fishing, a list of accomplishments or accolades including any academic or community awards they may have received. As the host speaker stressed, the anglers' academic record is the colleges' first consideration.

Saturday's activities began with breakfast at the Pavilion, followed by first look meetings scheduled by Alabama High School B.A.S.S. Nation. For this

and all other activities for the day, all anglers wore identical t-shirts which were presented to them at the Friday evening event, not their team jerseys.

Following lunch and skill practice, the anglers participated in skills challenges. One of the skill challenges included casting accuracy which was a timed event using the provided equipment. A second skill challenge was a technical test in which the angler had to control the provided Skeeter boat around a buoy using the trolling motor while simultaneously casting at three targets. To complete this competition, the angler had to finish the simple course while hitting the three targets in no more than three minutes. A long cast competition was the third skill challenge. Each angler had one minute to make three casts in terms of yardage measurable to 1/10th of a yard.

On the final day, wearing their team jerseys, the anglers met for breakfast and awards. Following the awards ceremony, the anglers engaged in a second look at colleges and universities scheduled by coaches.

At the end of the day Ethan Young finished 38th overall. Avery Padgett finished 20th overall, third in casting accuracy and third overall out of the participants from the state of Alabama.

Now, these young anglers must make their decision concerning the college opportunities from which they received offers. They are currently making plans to visit some of the universities.



Ethan Young (left) and Avery Padgett (right)

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SPORTS NEWS

Area teams at home as region wars reignite in week six football action

It is a busy week for teams in the area as all four teams take the field against region opponents in key games on the schedule.

Following is a preview of this week's games:

Pike County at New Brockton

The (0-5) New Brockton Gamecocks will return to the region wars with a first-ever meeting with the (3-2) Pike County Bulldogs.

New Brockton has scored an average of 13 points a game and allowed 38 points a game in watching its losing streak reach nine games, while Pike County owns a 2-2 region record only one year after failing to win a game. The Bulldogs have posted wins over Ashford 34-0, Northside Methodist 28-18 and Headland 18-13, while losing a pair of one-point region games to region leaders Straughn 20-19 and Opp 28-27.

G.W. Long at Zion Chapel

The (2-3) Zion Chapel Rebels will be trying to keep their playoff hopes alive on Thursday night when they host the (3-2) G.W. Long Rebels, at Green Memorial Stadium.

G.W. Long leads the all-time series 28-10 and won the last meeting 49-0 a year ago.

The Rebels have won two of their last three games, including a 28-19 win last week over Pleasant Home, and can even their region record at 2-2 with a win this week.

G.W. Long is coming off an upset loss to 4A Dale County and will be looking to remain in the number two spot in the region standings with a road win. It has posted wins over Slocumb 22-15, Samson 42-7 and Geneva County 21-0, while losing to Arton 34-18 and Dale County 26-22.

Pleasant Home at Kinston

The (1-4) Kinston Bulldogs will be looking to keep their slim post-season hopes alive Friday night when they host the (2-3) Pleasant Home Eagles, in a key region clash for both teams.

The series is tied at 11-11, while Kinston posted a 33-18 win last season.

The Bulldogs have lost four straight games after a season opening win over Samson 34-12, and in the four losses have surrendered over 45 points per game.

The Eagles will bring a 1-2 region slate into the contest and have posted wins over A.L. Johnson 41-6 and McKenzie 25-20, while losing to Red Level 26-6, Florala 50-20 and Zion Chapel 28-19. The two wins equal the most wins by the Eagles in a season in the last five years.

Georgiana at Brantley

The (4-2) Brantley Bulldogs will be looking to move into sole possession of second place in the region standings Friday night when they host the (6-0) Georgiana Panthers, at David Lowery Stadium.

Georgiana leads the all-time series 23-14-2, while Brantley won the last meeting 46-0 last season.

The Bulldogs are averaging over 37 points a game this season, with both of their losses coming to undefeated opponents Elba and Highland Home, by a total of only eight points.

The Panthers have been the surprise team in the region and state this year after struggling to an 0-9 record a year ago. They have posted wins over W.S. Neal 18-14, McKenzie 28-0, Florala 20-14, Kinston 30-20, Huston County 22-13 and J.F. Shields 40-6.

Youth hunt dates announced

The State Lands Division of the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (ADCNR) announces the youth deer and duck hunt schedules for the M. Barnett Lawley Forever Wild Field Trial Area (FWFTA) in Hale County. The hunts will take place late November 2022 through January 2023. Registration opened September 13 and runs until November 1. Hunters will be selected via a computerized, random drawing after registration closes.

Youth Deer Hunt Dates

November 19, 23, 30
December 14, 17, 21, 28
January 4, 7, 11, 18, 21, 25

Youth Duck Hunt Dates

December 14, 17, 21, 28
January 7, 11, 21, 25

To register for a hunt, visit <https://publichunts.dcnr.alabama.gov/Public/AvailableHunts> during the registration period listed above.

To participate in the youth hunts, youth hunters must be age 15 or younger and accompanied by an adult at least 21 years old (or a parent). Adults must have a valid state hunting license and applicable duck stamp, if duck hunting. Hunters must obtain their license and duck stamp (if duck hunting) before the hunt since they will not be available on-site.

For more information about the hunt details or registration process, call Brae Buckner with the ADCNR State Lands Division at (334) 868-1684, or email brae.buckner@dcnr.alabama.gov.

The M. Barnett Lawley Forever Wild Field Trial Area consists of 4,300 acres in Hale County and is managed as a nature preserve and recreation area.

LBWCC adds cross country and golf to athletics program

LBW Community College announces the addition of men's and women's golf as well as men's and women's cross country to its intercollegiate athletic program.

"I am excited to announce that LBW will be adding two new athletic programs to our already successful athletic program," said LBW President, Dr. Brock Kelley. "It is, and always will be, our goal to create opportunities for young men and women to continue to develop their craft at the collegiate level and these two sports are the next step in providing that opportunity."

Both programs will com-

pete within the Alabama Community College Conference (ACCC) and the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA).

"Athletic competition is an important part of the Saints Family, and our athletic department is committed to providing that opportunity to our community and student-athletes," said LBW Athletic Director, Steve Helms.

With the addition of these programs, LBW will now offer nine sports including women's volleyball, men's and women's basketball, baseball, softball, men's and women's golf, and men's and women's cross country.



Zion Chapel High School Homecoming Queen Emma Killingsworth and her court reigned over festivities last week and met the large crowd on hand at the football game, won by the Rebels over Pleasant Home 28-19.

Rebels shoot down Eagles 28-19

From combined reports
Photos by Ceretha Stricklin
and Catrina Arnold

The Zion Chapel Rebels gave a large homecoming crowd plenty to cheer about Friday night in an exciting 28-19 win over the Pleasant Home Eagles.

Morgan Sanders rushed for three touchdowns, including one on a 44-yard dash that brought the crowd to its feet, while Micah Fuller added one td on a 13-yard run up the middle.

The Rebels rolled up 238 yards on the ground and converted on 3 of 6 third down conversions as they improved their record to 2-4, while the Zion Chapel defense, led by Jackson Dowdy, limited the Eagles to 249 yards in total offense.



TIME TO PARTY! The scoreboard tells the story after last week's Rebel win over Pleasant Home that improved Zion Chapel's record to 2-4.

Zion Chapel will return to region play Friday night when they host G.W. Long, at Green Memorial Stadium.



Zion Chapel Rebel Conner Stricklin (55) drives a Pleasant Home defender out of a hole in last week's 28-19 homecoming win.

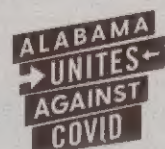


Zion Chapel Rebel Micah Fuller (14) looks for room to run. Fuller scored a touchdown last week in the Rebels exciting 28-19 homecoming win over Pleasant Home.

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ELBA SCHOOL NEWS

EHS excited to bring Tiger Tales back

by Conner Herrington,
Mary Shull, Clayton Parker

Elba High is excited to announce the return of the "Tiger Tales page" to The Elba Clipper.

The staff is looking forward to keeping the community informed about all of the great things happening at Elba High School.

Ms. Linda Hodge from The Elba Clipper recently visited Mrs. Stephanie Wright's Sports and Entertainment Marketing class to talk to the students about the newspaper. Students in Mrs. Wright's classes will be sharing EHS news with The Elba Clipper readers every second and fourth week of the month.



Tiger Tales staff members with Linda Hodge (center), Editor of The Elba Clipper

Elba Career Academy offers a variety of programs

by Clayton Parker, Valencia Mincey, Paris Tyson, Ma'Kiyah Hooks, Ivony Myrick, Paisley Tillery

The Elba Career Academy offers a variety of programs including Health Science, Human Services, Business Management and Administration, Agriconstruction, Welding, Diesel Mechanics, and Aviation Maintenance Technology.

These Career and Technical Education programs allow students to gain skills that will make them workforce ready after high school. Students in these programs also gain leadership skills through participation in student organizations. These organizations include HOSA, FCCLA, FBLA, FFA, and SkillsUSA.

Each of the programs offered at Elba Career Academy focus on different skill sets. For example, students in the diesel mechanics program learn how diesel and gasoline engines work and the main difference between the two. This program allows students to earn college credit towards a two-year degree in diesel mechanics.

Instructor Zach Spann hopes students gain skills that will help them in the future. He said basic skills like knowing how to change tires, and doing brake jobs, can save a lot of money and help in the future.

In the business management and administration program students learn skills that will help them be successful in a business setting. Students in this program are given the opportunity to earn credentials in Microsoft Office.

"Students learn a variety of skills that will help them in the real world," instructor Stephanie Wright said. "These skills will make



Students participating in the ECA welding program

the students more employable. Students will leave high school prepared for the workforce if that's what they choose."

Instructor Shelia Johnson says in the human services program students establish a plan for possible careers, develop skills for future employment, establish an understanding of nutrition, and even learn about appropriate childcare practices, financial literacy, parenting, and the art of positive communication.

In the FACS program, students will have the opportunity to obtain a ServSafe credential. ServSafe is designed to provide the most up-to-date and effective food safety practices.

"I hope that my students will become responsible citizens in the community, that they begin to appreciate human worth and accept responsibility for one's actions, and that they become successful in both family and work life," Johnson said.

The health science program is offered to high school juniors and seniors. These students gain the knowledge and skills they need to be successful in careers in healthcare.

Students are given the opportunity to become certified in CPR, First Aid, and Stop the Bleed. During their final semester as a Senior Intern, students will test for

their CNA Certification, officially becoming a Certified Nurse Aide.

"Students who participate in the health program provided by Elba City Schools will gain communication skills within the clinical settings and successfully treat patients with respect and dignity," said instructor Starla Amison.

Students in the welding program have the opportunity to complete dual-enrollment through LBW at Elba High School. Students who successfully complete the program will receive their NCCER core certification and can take advantage of going straight into the workforce or go right to a college for welding and continue their education.

Instructor Seth Wilcox hopes his students learn a good work ethic and learn how to work safely on whatever job they decide to do.

The aviation maintenance technology program is a 2-year dual enrollment program through ESCC that allows students to earn their FAA Airframe and Powerplant License. This program will give students the skills and training needed to become successful aircraft mechanics. Instructor Ronnie Gibbs teaches the program at Elba High School.

In the agriculture, food and natural resources program students experience hands-on activities, projects, and problems. Instructor Jamie Hudson says students in his program study a variety of topics including the science of agriculture, plants, animals, natural resources, and agricultural mechanics.

While surveying the opportunities available in agriculture and natural resources, students learn to solve problems, conduct research, analyze data, work in teams, and take responsibility for their work, actions, and learning.

Not only does ECA offer these programs to students at Elba High School, some of the programs are also offered to students enrolled in Coffee County Schools.

Faculty Spotlight

by Mikyla Daniels

This Faculty Spotlight focuses on Coach Al Gilmore.

Subject/Grade: History, 9th World History II Standard/Honors, 10th U.S. History I Standard/Honors, 11th U.S. History II Standard/Honors, 12th Gov./Econ. Standard/Honors

How many years have you been teaching? 15

Where did you go to college? Troy University and The University of West Alabama

What is your degree? Social Science with a Minor in Political Science

Tell us about your family: I am a third-generation teacher. Both of my parents were teachers as well as my maternal grandmother.

My father (who is my hero) served as a teacher, librarian, principal, Title I Coordinator, Transportation Coordinator, and Associate Superintendent over his 30-year career.

My mother was a middle school English and History teacher for 32 years in Barbour County, AL.

My grandmother was a professor of History and Philosophy at the University of North Carolina until she married my grandfather and moved to Alabama. She would finish her career at Baker Hill High School where she taught for 18 years.

I am married to my lovely, beautiful, intelligent, kind, wonderful wife Dr. Jenny Gilmore. Jenny is a graduate of Auburn University (Roll Tide) as well as the Auburn University Harrison School of Pharmacy. Jenny has worked for the Medical Center Enterprise Hospital for the last 12 years and has served as the Director of Pharmacy for the last seven.

Jenny was recently cho-



Coach Al Gilmore

sen as Clinical Director of the Year and I could not be any prouder of her.

What do you love about EHS? This school and this community literally help to save my life. I came to Elba during a time in my life that was very difficult. I was welcomed with open arms by a community that embraced my family as one of its own. I have forged friendships with people here that will last a lifetime and will forever be grateful for everything Elba has given me.

What do you like to do in your free time? I enjoy reading books on history (go figure), spending time with my friends and family, and discussing football strategy with my coaching buddies.

What is the most rewarding part of your job? When I have former students' email, text, or call me and tell me how prepared they were for college classes. That the lessons they learned in my class are helping them be successful at the collegiate level. That I helped to prepare them for "life beyond high school."

What is the one thing you hope your students learn from you? That it is not my job to teach you WHAT to think, it is my job to teach you HOW to think.

What is your favorite quote? "People refuse to change until the cost to remain the same becomes too high."

Student Spotlight

by Heidi Smith,
Halle Stewart, Emily Mosley



Name: Liolia Evans
Grade: 9th Age: 15

What do you love about EHS? Show choir and being a part of the productions.

What do you like to do in your free time? Play video games, read fashion magazines, and workout.

What clubs & organizations are you involved in at EHS? I am a member of show choir, and FCCLA

What are your plans for the future? Move back to New York and start a modeling & voice acting career.

What is your favorite subject in school? Reading and History.

How do you feel about being chosen for Spotlight Student? I feel honored because I don't get picked for a lot of stuff.



Pictured left to right: Aimee Senn, Whitney Rayborn, Sha'Vaughnie Smith, Sydney Siler, Anastasia Caldwell and Brooke Tinsley

Homecoming Court representatives announced

by Keelie Moseley

Elba High School students recently voted for their 2022 Homecoming attendants. The young ladies who were chosen to represent the student body were announced at a recent pep rally.

Congratulations to those who were

selected:

12th Grade Attendants: Aimee Senn,

Whitney Rayborn, Sha'Vaughnie Smith

11th Grade Attendant: Brooke Tinsley

10th Grade Attendant: Anastasia Caldwell

9th Grade Attendant: Sydney Siler

Elba High School Homecoming will take place on October 14, 2022.



Elbala Staff Introduced (by Clayton Parker)...The Elba High School yearbook staff has been hard at work so far this year. Staff members have been busy selling ads and preparing for the yearbook. Yearbooks are now on sale. Yearbook flyers will be available in the high school library and front office. Flyers will also be sent out via elementary students' folders. Yearbooks will be \$45 until Christmas break so get one early!!! After Christmas, the cost will go up to \$50, and after Spring Break the cost will be \$55. The Elbala staff thanks those who have donated or purchased an ad. Without this support the yearbook would not be possible. Staff members are pictured above: (bottom row, l to r) Haylee Marie Tucker, Anastasia Caldwell, Adalyn O'Neal, Destinee Tidwell, Alyssa Akers; (top row, l to r) A'Lyric Whitfield, Alayvia Stinson, Kendra Juarez, Aubrey Wisecup, Clayton Parker, Kody Smith, and Rebecca Duncan



Woodworking in the agriculture, food and natural resources program at Elba High School

Choral Department working to bring Clue: On Stage to life

by Ivony Myrick, Clayton Parker, Haley Burke, Sarah Burke, Faith Burke

The Elba High School Choral Department has selected an amazing show for one of this year's performances, *Clue: On Stage*.

Preparation for the show began six months ago during the previous school year. The live performances will be hosted sometime this fall. The dates/times to be announced.

Auditions recently were held, and many students at EHS were cast in roles. They include: Jacob Brunson as Wadsworth, Kaleb Adkison as Colonel Mustard, Katelyn Dobbins as Miss Scarlet, Austin Stricklin as Professor

Plum, Rachel Brunson as Mrs. Peacock, Demetri Kris as Mr. Green, Madison Barrett as Mrs. White, and Thessa Kiewit as Yvette.

The supporting cast will consist of Jalin Horstead as Mr. Boddy, Matthew Laramore as the motorist, Kanyin Jacobs as the Cop, Keelie Moseley as the Cook, Nickya Jones as the Singing Telegram, and Stella Edgar, Kayleigh Harris, and Caleigh Smith as FBI Agents.

Clue is just one of the productions the Choral department has planned for this year. Jason Tucker explained that Clue will be a production the entire community will enjoy.

"I always look for shows I think will appeal to our local

community audience and to our student body as well as shows that will give our theatre/choir students different experiences playing unique roles," he said. "Clue is a comedy and definitely fits these categories."

Tucker was inspired to start the Choir and Theatre program when he first came to Elba.

"When I first came to Elba there were a lot of talented kids who wanted to start a choral program, and I had experience in leading one in other systems, so I agreed to sponsor the group," he said.

The Choral department is looking forward to another great year and cannot wait to share its work with the community.